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EDWARD ERVINE, J. P.
Ancestor of the Irvine Relationship, With an Account of His Descendants.

BY W. T. PRICE.

Among the citizens of prominence in the organization of our county was Edward Ervine, late of Green Bank District. His residence was at the head of Trimble's Run. This homestead is now occupied by his son Preston, and David Gragg a son-in-law.

Mr Ervine was born April 2, 1790, near Miller's Iron works on Muddy Creek, Augusta County, and lived there until manhood.

He married Mary Curry, who was born June 1, 1794. Upon leaving August County soon after his marriage, he settled on Back Creek near the Brick House at the mouth of the Long Draft. They were the parents of ten children, seven sons and three daughters.

The daughters were Mary Ann, now Mrs George Tracy; Margaret Jane, born 1827, now Mrs Charles Phillips; Frances Eliz-die, born 1829, became Mrs Jacob Tomlinson late of Kausus.

In reference to the sons of this pioneer Eward Ervine we have the following particulars furnished by his son Preston Ervine.

Benjamin Franklin Ervine, born 1816, married Mary, daughter of Robert Kerr, who were the parents of these children: Eliza, now Mrs James Hughes; Edward Newton, on Buffalo Mountain homestead; Margaret, recently deceased, who was for the most of her useful life an inmate of Hon. S. B. Hannah's family on Deer Creek. She will long be remembered for her very interesting character.

E. B. Ervine entered the Confederate service, was captured on the Upper tract in 1861, and died a prisoner of war soon after.

James Addison Ervine [b 1818] married Elizabeth, daughter of the late Patrick Bruffey, and lived on the Nottingham place now owned by Uriah Heveren, and were the parents of six daughters and three sons. The sons were William, Calvin, and James Patrick; the daughters were Laura, who became Mrs Stephen Lockridge late of Highland County, Mary, Harriet, Elizabeth, Caroline, and Rose. Soon after the war J. A. Ervine moved to Missouri and located near Saint Louis.

William Frye Ervine [b 1824] first married Elizabeth Kerr and settled on property now owned by Marion Ray. By this marriage one daughter, now Mrs Brown Arbogast.

Second marriage was with Mary Jane, daughter of Joshua Burne, lately of upper Greenbrier near Durbin. The children of this marriage were John Preston and Amy, now Mrs Joe W. Riley.

Third marriage was with Mrs Elizabeth Jane Taylor, widow of William Taylor, daughter of the late Frederick Burr, near Huntersville. The children of this marriage are Mary, now Mrs Charles Burns of Bath county, and McNeer Ervine on the Barr homestead on Brown's Mountain.

Robert Hook Ervine, (b 1831), married Mrs Isaac Hartman, near Matheny, and settled near Pine Grove. There was but one child, Bertha, who died at the age of seven years.

Edward-Augustus Ervine, (born 1833) married Mary Ann daughter of Henry Beverage, Top of Alleghany, and moved to Centreville, Upshur county, where he now lives. They are the parents of four daughters and two sons, Vernon, George, Amanda, Laura Ann, Nancy Jane, and Sarah.

Preston Cunningham Ervine (b 1836) married Margaret Rebecca Beverage, sister of the Mrs Ervine just mentioned, and settled on a section of the parental homestead. His family consists of four sons and eight daughters. Susan, now Mrs Opie Varner; Georgia, Alice now Mrs William Arbogast, Emma, now Mrs Caswell Kilmer; Nannie, now Mrs Morgan Morgan Rader; Clara, now Mrs William Arbogast near Green Bank. David Lee married Virgie Sutton; daughter of Samuel Sutton, and lives at the homestead; Corn-Ella, now

The cow kicked the bucket over and spilled the milk, and if you do not get the Farm Journal 5 years, (all of 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903, and 1904,) just by paying for The Pocahontas Times a year ahead, you will be like that cow. The Farm Journal is the biggest paper of its size in the world.

Wise men, as Poor Richard says,

SIR WILFRID LAWSON AND THE WAR.
DISORDERLY MEETING AT WORKINGTON, ENGLAND.

From the Newcastle Chronicle.

Charles Washington Ervine (b 1838) married Serena, daughter of Solomon Varner, Top of Alleghany, and settled in Upshur county, near Centreville, where he died in 1896. Their children were Baxter, Florence Rebecca now Mrs McWhorter in Buckhannon, Bryan, Ida now Mrs John Gathrop near Centreville, Walker lives in Upshur, Brady, now in the far West, and David Gragg a son-in-law.

The foregoing are some of the

particulars that illustrate the fam-

ily history of Edward Ervine, a

citizen of marked prominence in

his day in county affairs. His

natural endowments were of a

high order. He became a citizen

of this region some time before the

organization of the county, and

was one of the first members of

the County Court. Upon his re-

moval from Back Creek he settled

on lands bought of Bonaparte

Trimble, who lived in Augusta

county, not far from Buffalo Gap.

The improvements at the time of

his purchase consisted of a primi-

tive cabin, an acre or so of clear-

ed land. He opened up a fine es-

tate, and, as the reader has just

been informed, reared a large fam-

ily. He held the office of magis-

trate for almost his lifetime, cele-

brating numerous marriages, presid-

ed at a great many trials, and

issued more warrants than can be

readily enumerated. His disposi-

tion was joyful and his humor

seemed inspiring and wherever he

went he seemed to diffuse good hu-

mor and cheerfulness. For a long

while he was a member of Liberty

Church, and was a model specimen

of the plain, straight-forward

Scotch-Irish Virginian. It ap-

pears from the Curry records in

Augusta that Mr Ervine was a

lineal descendant of one of the

three Curry brothers who came to

the Valley of Virginia with the

earliest emigrants.

It would be well of our people

who trace their lineage to Scotch-

Irish ancestry were to make the

seize of Londonderry a subject of

special study. If this suggestion

were heeded, three-fourths of our

more influential citizenship would

find something useful and interest-

ing. It might impress them with

a stimulating sense of what is

to be expected of them in order to

become the worthy representatives

of a lineage that has figured so

conspicuously in human endeavors

to realize the blessings of an ideal

government, having no citizens to

favor at the expense of the humble

and the toiling, helpless hewers of

wood and the tillers of the fields.

In the leadings of an all wise

Providence Edward Ervine's lot

tell to him in a sparsely populated

country. The type of the religion

he inherited in Scotland and the

north of Ireland tended to blend in

personal character indomitable in-

durance, wise provision and satis-

fying comfort, and the ideal of his

endeavors was to have a home of

his own amid fields and meadows.

Of such homes an eloquent writer

says: "The homes of our lands are

its havens of peace; its sanctuaries

of strength and happiness. Hence

some those principles of probity

and integrity that are the safe-

guards of our nation. Hence

emerge those devoted sons of the

soil, the true citizenship of our

loved country of whom may be

written what Milton has said of the Hebrew Prophets:

"They appear

As men divinely taught, and bet-

ter teaching

The solid rules of civil government

in their majestic unaffected style,

Than all the oratory of Greece

and Rome;

In them is plainest taught and easi-

iest learnt,

What makes a nation happy and

keeps it so?"

DR. FRANKLIN ON ECONOMICS.

Looking over some literary rela-

tions quite recently, Poor Richard's

Almanac turned up. This is the

way Poor Richard prods a prevail-

ing infirmity:

Wise men, as Poor Richard says,

learn by other men's humors; fools

scarcely by their own. *Nelix quum*

Odds and Ends.

AN IMPORTANT DOCUMENT.

The first mortgage of the Greenbrier Railway to secure a \$3,000,000 bond issue has been recorded in this county. The mortgage is given by the Greenbrier Railway Company to the Colonial Trust Company of New York, trustee for the benefit of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company. This was too important a document to be entrusted to the mails, and Mr Herbert Fitzpatrick, a Huntington lawyer, brought it, as a special messenger, from Lewisburg, where it is also recorded. It is not the longest deed ever recorded here, but it represents the largest sum of money by far. It is printed on fine linen paper and contains forty pages of closely set type. Probably the most interesting thing about the document is the \$1500 worth of revenue stamps which it bears. There are thirty of these stamps of the \$50 denomination. The \$50 stamp is like the \$1 stamp in appearance except that it is of a brown color while the \$1 stamp is green.

A STORY BY POOR RICHARD.

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